REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS

COMMUNICATION

 ${\rm FROM}$

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

 ${\bf TRANSMITTING}$

HIS REQUEST TO MAKE AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS OF \$7,642,000 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY FROM THE TREASURY COUNTER-TERRORISM FUND, PURSUANT TO PUB. L. 104–208



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THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, August 6, 1997.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR: In accordance with provisions of Public Law 104–208, the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act of 1997, I hereby request and make available appropriations of \$7,642,000 for the Department of the Treasury from the Treasury Counter-Terrorism Fund. These funds would reimburse the Department of the Treasury for unanticipated expenditures incurred as a result of its bombing investigations in Atlanta and counter-terrorism support provided for the Summit of Eight in Denver and the United Nations Environmental Summit in New York.

I hereby designate the amount made available as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

The details of this action are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with his comments and observations.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

Enclosure.



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

August 6, 1997

The President

The White House

Submitted for your consideration is a request to make available emergency appropriations for the Department of the Treasury. Your approval of this request would make funds previously appropriated to the Treasury Counter-Terrorism Fund available to reimburse the Department of the Treasury for unanticipated expenditures incurred as a result of its bombing investigations in Atlanta and counter-terrorism support provided for the Summit of Eight and the United Nations Environmental Summit.

Public Law 104-208, the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act of 1997, provided \$15 million for the Treasury Counter-Terrorism Fund, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement. None of the \$15 million has yet been designated as an emergency requirement and made available. This request would make available a total of \$7,642,000 to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms; the U.S. Customs Service; and, the U.S. Secret Service to reimburse these organizations for unanticipated expenditures incurred as a result of bombing investigations in Atlanta and for counter-terrorism support provided for the Summit of Eight in Denver (June 20-22, 1997) and the United Nations Environmental Summit in New York (June 23-26, 1997).

I recommend that you designate this request as an emergency funding requirement in accordance with section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. No further congressional action will be required.

I have carefully reviewed this proposal and am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. Therefore, I join the Secretary of the Treasury in recommending that you make the requested funds available by signing the enclosed letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sincerely.

Franklin D. Raines Director

Enclosure

EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS: AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED MADE AVAILABLE BY THE PRESIDENT

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES

Title VII of Section 101(f) of Public Law 104-208, the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act of 1997, provided \$15,000,000 for the Treasury Counter-Terrorism Fund, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement. The Counter-Terrorism Fund was established to reimburse Treasury organizations for the costs of providing support to counter, investigate, or prosecute terrorism. None of the \$15,000,000 has yet been designated as an emergency requirement and made available.

At this time, \$7,642,000 is required to reimburse Department of the Treasury organizations for unanticipated expenditures incurred as a result of bombing investigations in Atlanta and counter-terrorism support provided for the Summit of Eight in Denver (June 20-22, 1997) and the United Nations Environmental Summit in New York (June 23-26, 1997). Of the total request, \$3.5 million would reimburse the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) for unanticipated expenses related to investigation of two Atlanta bombings -- the January 17, 1997, bombing of the Sandy Springs Professional Building, which contained an abortion clinic, and the February 21, 1997, bombing of The Otherside Lounge. The remaining \$4.142 million of the request would reimburse the Secret Service (\$3.313 million), the Customs Service (\$0.629 million), and ATF (\$0.200 million) for counter-terrorism support provided for the Summit of Eight and the United Nations Environmental Summit.

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